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POPULATION ESTIMATES

Whole State at 30th June, 1953 -

Males - 320,881;

Females - 301,322;

Persons - 622,203

Metropolitan Area at 30th June, 1953 -

Persons - 351,000

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS - WESTERN AUSTRALIA

	AUGUST		8 Months Ended AUGUST	
	1953	1952	1953	1952
Marriages -- Number	330	289	3,258	3,535
*Rate per 1000 of Population	6.22	5.65	7.89	8.86
Births - Number	1,232	1,207	10,547	10,186
*Rate per 1000 of Population	23.21	23.58	25.55	25.53
Deaths - Number	459	516	3,320	3,418
*Rate per 1000 of Population	8.65	10.08	8.04	8.57
Infant Mortality - Number	27	36	264	281
*Rate per 1000 Live Births	21.92	29.83	25.03	27.59
<u>PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH -</u>				
Tuberculosis	1	6	34	55
Malignant neoplasms	51	59	480	443
Diabetes mellitus	2	6	22	25
Diseases of blood, etc.	-	2	10	18
Cerebral haemorrhage, etc.	56	73	363	418
Diseases of the heart	152	159	1,020	979
Hypertension with heart disease	21	24	115	100
Hypertensive disease without mention of heart	7	10	50	46
Arteriosclerosis	15	17	117	120
Influenza	1	3	6	12
Pneumonia	28	23	135	118
Bronchitis	3	9	29	28
Other respiratory disease	4	8	26	49
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	5	1	28	25
Gastro-enteritis and colitis	1	4	16	26
Chronic enteritis and ulcerative colitis	-	3	4	11
Cirrhosis of the liver	4	2	16	8
Nephritis and nephrosis	5	10	50	57
Diseases of the prostate	6	6	31	41
Maternal causes	-	-	4	13
Diseases of early infancy	16	22	157	175
Motor vehicle accidents	18	12	124	139
Other accidents	19	16	134	135
Suicide	2	5	27	49
All other causes	42	36	322	328
<u>Total.</u>	459	516	3,320	3,418

* Equivalent Annual Rate.

* Deaths under one year.

10. The following table shows the number of people who have been convicted of a crime in the United States since 1990. The data is presented in millions of people.

1. The first step in the process is to identify the problem or issue that needs to be addressed. This involves gathering information and understanding the context of the problem.

LAND SETTLEMENT

Land taken up under conditional alienation during the nine months ended September, 1953 totalled 1,368,476 acres, an increase of 472,926 acres on the corresponding period last year. Pastoral, special and miscellaneous leases registered amounted to 2,259,141 acres, a decrease of 384,942.

STATE GOVERNMENT CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

	Month of SEPTEMBER		Three months ended SEPTEMBER	
	1953	1952	1953	1952
	£.	£.	£.	£.
Revenue	3,309,194	2,517,786	9,512,321	7,529,444
Revenue per Head of Population	£5. 5. 7	£4. 3. 0	£15. 4. 5	£12. 9. 2
Expenditure	3,371,707	3,032,815	10,302,508	9,018,205
Expenditure per Head of Population	£5. 7. 7	£5. 0. 0	£16. 9. 8	£14.18. 5

SAVINGS BANKS

Depositors' Balances on the 30th September, 1953 amounted to £50,983,177 or £81. 3. 8d. per head of population as against £48,374,702 or £79. 12. 10d. per head as at the 30th September last year.

BANK CLEARANCES

The average weekly clearance for the 5 weeks ended 30th September, 1953 amounted to £12,074,707 compared with £9,083,884 for the corresponding period last year.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Registrations effected at the Office of Land Titles and Deeds		SEPTEMBER		Three months Ended SEPTEMBER	
		1953	1952	1953	1952
Transfers	No.	1,945	1,714	6,052	4,987
	£.	2,705,372	1,705,058	7,710,351	5,418,537
Mortgages	No.	1,739	1,105	5,208	3,520
	£.	2,626,243	1,596,561	8,048,898	5,437,004
Discharges of Mortgages	No.	1,108	828	3,471	2,669

SALES TAX: SALES OF TAXABLE AND EXEMPT GOODS
AND TAX COLLECTED

Period of Receipt of Returns	Taxable Goods		Sales of Exempt Goods	Tax Collected
	Sales in respect of which Tax is Payable (Net)	Sales in respect of which Tax is NOT Payable (Gross)		
	£.	£.	£.	£.
Three months ended SEPTEMBER, 1953	8,784,613	5,629,794	21,836,477	1,355,880
Three months ended SEPTEMBER, 1952	8,477,880	6,547,895	20,562,229	1,289,849
Month of SEPTEMBER, 1953	2,526,628	1,421,854	6,369,996	417,813
Month of SEPTEMBER, 1952	3,522,322	2,368,111	7,367,386	435,759

COMPANIES REGISTERED

43 Local Companies, with a nominal capital of £2,107,503, and 17 Foreign Companies were registered during the three months ended September, 1953. Registrations for the corresponding period last year comprised 26 Local Companies with a nominal capital of £1,312,000 and 13 Foreign Companies.

BANKRUPTCY

	Three Months ended SEPTEMBER					
	1953			1952		
	No.	Liabilities	Assets	No.	Liabilities	Assets
		£.	£.		£.	£.
Sequestration Orders	10	44,352	23,976	10	26,348	10,417
Deeds of Assignment (a)	7	15,812	18,688	10	45,186	42,776
Deeds of Arrangement	-	-	-	-	-	-

(a) Includes Compositions and Schemes of Arrangement.

TRANSPORT

The operations of the State Government Railways, open for General and Passenger traffic, were as follows:-

		AUGUST		2 Months Ended AUGUST	
		1953	1952 /	1953	1952 /
Gross Earnings (a) *	£.	741,200	339,800	1,507,200	762,300
Working Expenses (a)	£.	1,069,387	786,073	2,191,393	583,124
Train Miles Run	No.	564,955	150,388	1,151,718	362,804
Motor Bus Miles Run	No.	(b) 162,525	(b) 184,831	(c) 295,399	(c) 332,676
<u>Passenger Journeys -</u>					
Train	No.	640,346	189,396	1,249,801	368,466
Motor Bus	No.	56,071	65,508	101,675	116,107
<u>Tonnage Carried -</u>					
Paying Goods		227,261	87,123	481,036	209,654
Livestock		8,813	5,043	17,965	12,865
Departmental (Free Freight)		61,334	16,501	127,004	56,098
<u>Total</u>		297,408	108,667	626,005	278,617
<u>Net Ton Mileage of -</u>					
Paying Goods		38,071,089	11,363,503	81,539,348	26,839,958
Livestock		1,317,636	671,494	2,476,539	1,768,207
Departmental (Free Freight)		9,309,593	1,758,445	18,781,997	5,996,882
<u>Total</u>		48,698,318	13,793,442	102,797,884	34,605,047

(a) Includes operations of the Railway Road Service.

(b) Four weeks ended 22nd August.

(c) Period ended 22nd August.

* Figures liable to revision.

/ Figures reflect Metal Trade Strike.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

(1) NEW VEHICLES REGISTERED (EXCLUDING COMMONWEALTH-OWNED VEHICLES)

	METROPOLITAN AREA				ENTIRE STATE			
	Cars (including Hire Cars)	Wagons, Vans, Utilities	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars (including Hire Cars)	Wagons, Vans, Utilities	Buses	Motor Cycles
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year 1951	4,263	2,088	51	1,886	7,914	5,730	101	3,192
Year 1952	4,088	2,006	74	1,121	8,068	5,471	112	1,939
<u>1953 -</u>								
January	272	94	-	80	492	296	5	119
February	291	151	1	69	556	369	2	121
March	326	119	6	72	627	334	8	124
April	292	161	4	51	545	439	6	93
May	330	139	2	52	566	425	2	80
June	272	160	8	45	501	390	11	76
July	386	174	5	61	694	471	8	106
August	325	147	7	44	592	397	8	79

(2) MOTOR VEHICLES IN USE (EFFECTIVE REGISTRATIONS) /

Date (as at end of Month)	METROPOLITAN AREA				ENTIRE STATE			
	Cars (including Hire Cars)	Wagons, Vans, Utilities	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars (including Hire Cars)	Wagons, Vans, Utilities	Buses	Motor Cycles
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<u>1951 -</u>								
June	32,966	14,461	499	8,876	56,109	46,150	950	14,521
<u>1952 -</u>								
June	37,873	16,368	522	9,952	64,180	50,897	988	16,041
<u>1953 -</u>								
January	40,516	17,384	530	9,981	66,392	50,193	976	14,723
February	40,644	17,438	527	9,954	67,497	51,806	1,002	15,136
March	40,931	17,501	530	9,966	68,465	52,738	1,016	15,420
April	41,155	17,564	533	9,984	68,833	52,618	1,022	15,425
May	41,271	17,552	530	9,937	69,502	53,367	1,024	15,545
June	41,231	18,394	537	9,855	69,833	54,639	1,035	15,559
July	42,576	18,934	542	9,981	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
August	42,727	18,992	550	9,898	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)

/ Excluding Commonwealth-Owned Vehicles which comprised for August, 1953:-
 102 Cars; 751 Wagons, Vans, etc.; 7 Buses and 6 Motor Cycles.
 (a) Not yet available.

TRADE (INTERSTATE AND OVERSEA)

Trade of Western Australia, August 1953 and 1952, and two months ended August 1953 and 1952, expressed in terms of Australian Currency:-

	IMPORTS				EXPORTS (Including Ships' Stores)			
	AUGUST		2 Months Ended AUGUST		AUGUST		2 Months Ended AUGUST	
	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952
Oversea	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000
	2,690	1,690	6,646	5,777	3,191	6,023	8,503	12,283
Interstate	7,026	7,116	13,774	12,620	4,190	2,473	6,354	4,236
Total.	9,716	8,806	20,420	18,397	7,381	8,496	14,857	16,519

BUILDING ACTIVITY

(1) NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

Period	Dwellings				Factories		Other		Total	
	Owner-Built		By Contractors etc. (a)							
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000
Year 1946	55	32	1,316	1,221	52	82	145	192	1,568	1,527
Year 1947	165	109	2,245	2,380	37	64	164	327	2,611	2,880
Year 1948	514	346	2,544	3,041	49	160	268	431	3,375	3,978
Year 1949	825	693	2,485	3,476	57	215	317	657	3,684	5,041
Year 1950	1,313	1,365	3,331	4,727	41	263	428	651	5,113	7,006
Year 1951	1,913	2,835	4,137	6,969	40	459	433	986	6,523	11,249
Year 1952	2,883	5,824	4,946	11,201	63	667	604	2,242	8,496	19,934
1953 -										
March Qr.	706	1,614	935	2,391	17	214	172	657	1,830	4,876
June Qr.	767	1,830	1,229	3,191	15	241	129	597	2,140	5,859

(a) Comprises Government Day Labour as well as Private Contractor operations, and includes Shop Dwellings, Flats and other Residentials excluded from Table (2) hereunder.

(2) HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

(Including Owner-Built Homes)

	Houses Completed - Classified According to Materials of Outer Walls									
	Brick, Stone, Concrete, etc.		Wood, or Mainly Wood		Fibro-Cement or Mainly Fibro-Cement		Other Material		Total	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000
Year 1946	578	640	186	140	373	296	227	172	1,364	1,248
Year 1947	1,114	1,365	257	196	966	862	62	47	2,399	2,470
Year 1948	1,252	1,715	326	249	1,436	1,348	29	22	3,043	3,334
Year 1949	1,449	2,235	228	191	1,571	1,649	42	43	3,290	4,118
Year 1950	1,709	2,882	337	311	2,262	2,572	55	48	4,363	5,813
Year 1951	2,155	4,560	453	525	2,933	4,241	190	218	5,731	9,544
Year 1952	3,006	8,097	745	1,609	3,844	6,678	135	263	7,730	16,647
1953 -										
March Qr.	660	2,004	139	364	823	1,587	8	14	1,630	3,969
June Qr.	700	2,132	288	787	986	2,044	7	17	1,981	4,980

BUTTER PRODUCTION IN FACTORIES

1,877,516 lbs. were produced during September, 1953 and 4,551,070 lbs. for the three months ended September, 1953, as against 2,026,814 lbs. and 5,132,950 lbs. respectively for the corresponding periods for 1952.

GOLD PRODUCTION

	SEPTEMBER		9 Months Ended SEPTEMBER	
	1953	1952	1953	1952
Quantity Fine Ozs.	70,247	60,635	612,730	537,847
Value (Aust. Currency)* £.	1,088,240	939,331	9,492,195	8,332,183

* Excludes premium on gold sold for industrial purposes.

Dividends reported by Gold Mining Companies for the nine months ended September, 1953 amounted to £671,337. Dividends reported for the corresponding period of 1952 amounted to £477,525.

RETAIL PRICES INDEX NUMBERS

(Base of Each Series: Weighted Average of Six Capitals for 1923/27 = 1000)

	Food and Groceries				All Items of Household Expenditure ("C" Series)			
	SEPTEMBER QUARTER		12 Months Ended SEPTEMBER		SEPTEMBER QUARTER		12 Months Ended SEPTEMBER	
	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952
Metropolitan Area	2690	2448	2554	2283	2328	2216	2273	2111
Kalgoorlie-Boulder	2759	2645	2706	2466	2369	2309	2349	2201
Northam	2672	2511	2590	2342	2336	2239	2295	2120
Bunbury	2689	2500	2585	2333	2338	2242	2292	2135
Geraldton	2734	2569	2648	2385	2433	2355	2399	2225
Collierie	2728	2518	2614	2344	2233	2130	2187	2027

ESTIMATED TOTAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excluding Rural and Private Domestic)

Figures supplied by Commonwealth Statistician

Month	1952			1953		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
January	127,021	40,611	167,632	127,573	39,805	167,378
February	127,314	41,319	168,633	128,682	40,835	169,517
March	127,666	41,367	169,033	129,232	41,012	170,244
April	126,905	41,326	168,231	129,666	41,211	170,877
May	126,734	41,110	167,844	129,673	41,189	170,862
June	126,001	40,564	166,565	130,185	41,029	171,214
July	125,215	40,408	165,623	130,540	41,132	171,672
August	125,577	40,115	165,692	130,351	41,296	171,647
September	125,235	40,272	165,507			
October	126,306	40,389	166,695			
November	126,330	40,541	166,871			
December	126,684	40,719	167,403			

EMPLOYMENT INDEX SERIES

Month	FACTORIES (Base: 1928/29 (19,799 Employees = 100))					RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS (b) (Base: July, 1941 (9,578 Employees = 1000))				
	1949	1950	1951	1952(a)	1953(a)	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
January	179	194	208	214	216	1354	1410	1490	1540	1538
February	182	197	212	216	219	1358	1387	1495	1536	1541
March	186	200	215	216	222	1371	1415	1513	1522	1534
April	187	200	215	215	223	1377	1415	1508	1517	1550
May	187	203	216	214	224	1354	1418	1500	1512	1557
June	187	202	215	211	224	1362	1429	1517	1495	1575
July	182	204	218	210	224	1381	1423	1517	1497	1578
August	189	204	217	214	224	1377	1419	1510	1488	1567
September	190	204	216	213		1365	1428	1518	1485	
October	191	206	217	214		1375	1431	1522	1507	
November	192	207	217	214		1402	1450	1537	1519	
December	194	207	215	215		1470	1531	1587	1574	

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1952 are preliminary and are based primarily on Pay Roll Tax Returns.

(b) Indexes computed by Commonwealth Statistician from Pay Roll Tax Returns.

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STATE BASIC WAGE

Date of Operation	Metropolitan Area		South-West Land Division		Goldfields and Rest of State	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
27/7/53	12. 6. 6	8. 0. 3	12. 6. 0	7. 19. 11	12. 9. 4	8. 2. 1

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY - METROPOLITAN AREA
(Generated by W.A. Government Power Stations)

Particulars	SEPTEMBER		3 Months Ended SEPTEMBER	
	1953	1952	1953	1952
Units Generated (1000 K.W.H.)	33,129	28,731	67,788	59,728
Units Sent Out (1000 K.W.H.)	29,607	25,342	60,589	52,646

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS IN PRINCIPAL ESTABLISHMENTS

Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
	No.	No.	No.	No.
September, 1953	6,636	530	118,292	8,120
September, 1952	5,364	672	153,816	10,438
9 Months ended September, 1953	94,042	3,761	718,435	73,530
9 Months ended September, 1952	80,430	4,655	697,448	84,723

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Month	Total Accidents Reported		Non-Casualty Accidents (Damage over £10)		Casualty Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	Metro-politan	Country	Metro-politan	Country	Metro-politan	Country	Metro-politan	Country	Metro-politan	Country
53 -	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
January	1,100	276	316	102	164	75	6	5	197	129
February	1,072	266	271	108	176	65	8	9	237	87
March	1,110	319	286	125	178	95	5	13	217	138
April	1,117	319	319	136	169	81	12	7	186	117
May	1,242	300	381	130	167	86	13	9	190	116
June	1,273	259	381	128	154	62	9	7	191	75
July	1,280	253	361	115	182	56	9	3	209	74
August (a)	1,168	273	335	109	138	76	7	9	163	118
September (b)	1,146	(c)	352	(c)	141	(c)	12	(c)	152	(c)
Totals to - August	9,362	2,265	2,650	953	1,328	596	69	62	1,590	854
September	10,508	(c)	3,002	(c)	1,469	(c)	81	(c)	1,742	(c)

(a) Revised.

(b) Subject to minor revision.

(c) Not yet available.

